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PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO CONGRESSMAN ANDREW YOUNG FROM
JOSEPH RHODES, JR.

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SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM JOSEPH RHODES

I MET WITH AMBASSADOR SCHAUFLE ON FRIDAY IN JOHANNESBURG.
I AM NOW CONFUSED. HE SAID YOU HAD NOT SPOKEN TO HIM ABOUT
MY BRIEFING THE FRONT-LINE COUNTRIES ON THE POSITION OF
YOURSELF OR THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION ON THE NAMIBIAN DEAL.
I WOULD REQUIRE DETAILED ADDITIONAL BRIEFING BY HIM IF I
AM TO PROCEED WITH THE EFFORT TOWARD THE FRONT-LINE NATIONS.
ALTHOUGH HE STATED TO ME THAT HE COULD ARRANGE A PROPER
PRESENTATION OF ME TO THE MINISTERS INVOLVED, HE FELT THE
INTRODUCTION OF A NEW FACE IN THE NEGOTIATIONS WOULD NOT BE
ADVISABLE. I AM CONVINCED THAT WHEN HE SPEAKS WITH YOU,
HE WILL ADVISE STRONGLY AGAINST MY CONTACTING THE FRONT-LINE
NATIONS WITH YOUR MESSAGE. HOWEVER, I STILL FEEL STRONGLY
THAT SUCH A BRIEFING IS NECESSARY. IT WOULD CREATE A
PROPER ENVIRONMENT FOR THE NEW ADMINISTRATION'S SOUTH
AFRICAN POLICY FOLLOWING THE NEW YEAR. GIVEN AMBASSADOR
SCHAUFLE'S RELUCTANCE, I WILL ONLY CONVEY YOUR MESSAGE
TO THE FRONT-LINE NATIONS IF YOU SPECIFICALLY INSTRUCT
ME TO DO SO THIS WEEK.
I AWAIT YOUR INSTRUCTIONS. JOSEPH RHODES.
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